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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 05 May 2008.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1,2,8-13,18-23 and 28 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1,2,8-13,18-23 and 28 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 5/14/2001 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

1. The following is a quotation of the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall contain a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the same and shall set forth the best mode contemplated by the inventor of carrying out his invention.

2. Claims 1, 11, 21, and 28 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. The claim(s) contains subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention. The limitations “wherein said request comprises: an indicator of a requested language; a message to be converted into said requested language, wherein said message is provided in a language other than the requested language; and display attributes for formatting a display of the requested message on the display device”, and “wherein individual ones of a plurality of said databases are each associated with a different one of said languages” are not discussed in the original disclosure. Particularly, the specification merely mentions of the term "Request for a Language Element" (*second and third paragraphs on page 4*). There is no indication of a specific “indicator of a requested language” as claimed. It is herein interpreted as data request from the user. The limitation regarding “wherein said message is provided in a language other than the requested language” indicates that the message in a first language is translated into a second language. However, there is no language translation discussed anywhere in the disclosure. There is only a

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database containing messages in different languages. It is now interpreted as conversion of data elements into bitmap data. Furthermore, there is no “display attributes” being discussed in the disclosure. With respect to claim 28, the disclosure merely mentions of a plurality of databases, but fails to specifically indicate that each database is associated with a particular language as claimed. Claim 28 is herein treated as a plurality of databases.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

3. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

4. Claims 1-2, 8, 10-13, 18, 20-23, and 28 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Marmor (US 6601108) in view of Sekiguchi (US 6185604).

5. Regarding claim 1, Marmor discloses a computing system (*figure 1A-B*), comprising:

a communication link for bi-directionally providing a communication channel between a host computing device and a companion computing device (*figures 1A-B, client device and server are in a bi-directional communication*);

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the host computing device for providing multiple language support and user interface upgrade to the companion device (*col. 1, line 58 to col. 2, line 6, multilingual system*), wherein said host computing device has access to at least one database in which a plurality of messages are each stored in a plurality of different languages (*col. 1, line 58 to col. 2, line 6, multilingual system; accessed through search engine*);

the companion computing device, comprising [substantially] less memory resources than the host computing device, and comprising a display device; a digitizer input system (*figures 1A-B; client device is well known to have less memory and computing resources than the server*); and a control device that responds to a user request for one of said plurality of messages in a first one of said plurality of languages not supported by said companion device to transmit said request to said host computing device over said communication link (*figure 3 or col. 10, line 63 to col. 11, line 67; client device request for a particular document in a particular language, the server retrieves and supplies the requested document to the client device*);

wherein said request comprises:

an indicator of a requested language (*figure 3 or col. 10, line 63 to col. 11, line 67; interpreted as a data request*);

display attributes for formatting a display of the requested message on the display device (*col. 14, lines 1-41, font, size, style, color*);

the at least one database comprising storage sufficient to store and convert the request (*figures 1A-B, database in the network (Internet) inherently has a lot of memory*);

wherein said host computing device responds to a receipt of said request for the requested message by retrieving said message in said requested language from the at least one database and converting the retrieved message into a representation that corresponds to the requested message in said requested language (*the operation of figures 1A-B; converter converts the document to a format supported by the client device; or referring to the operation of figure 6, the server retrieves the requested document and determine if the client device supports said document, and convert the document into a format supported by client device*);

wherein said host computing device transmits to said companion computing device the bitmap representation of the requested message in the requested language over said communication link for display on the display device in said requested language (*figures 1A-B*), wherein the requested message comprises at least multiple characters of said requested language (*within the scope of the reference, the requested document includes multiple characters*), wherein the requested message is formatted for display device (*figures 1A-B, converter does this*).

Marmor fails to specifically disclose a message to be converted into said requested language, where said message is provided in a language other than the requested language, and wherein said companion computing device, without conversion from character codes to graphic elements, stores and presents the bitmap representation as a full screen image of the requested message on said display device. However, Sekiguchi teaches that a message to be converted into said requested language, where said message is provided in a language other than the requested

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language (*abstract section; converting email document to image data or bitmap data; interpreted as conversion of data elements into bitmap data*), and wherein said companion computing device, without conversion from character codes to graphic elements, stores and presents the bitmap representation as a full screen image of the requested message on said display device (*abstract section; converting email document to image data or bitmap data*).

Since Marmor and Sekiguchi are analogous arts because they are from the same field of endeavors, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to modify Marmor by incorporating the teaching of Sekiguchi in order to enable devices of small processing power to access data of different languages.

6. Regarding claim 11, Marmor discloses a method of providing language element support to a companion computing device from a host computing device, said method comprising the steps of:

receiving from said companion computing device a request from a user of the companion computing device for a first message in a first language not initially supported by said companion device, wherein said request was initiated by the user implementing a digitizer input system of the companion computing device (*figure 3 or col. 10, line 63 to col. 11, line 67; client device request for a particular document in a particular language, the server retrieves and supplies the requested document to the client device; all computing devices include a digitizer in order to convert real word signal into computer data*), and wherein the request comprises:

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an indicator of the first language (*figure 3 or col. 10, line 63 to col. 11, line 67; interpreted as a data request*);

display attributes for formatting the first message for display on the companion device (*col. 14, lines 1-41, font, size, style, color*);

wherein said second message is one of a plurality of messages stored in at least one database in a plurality of languages that includes said first language, wherein said host computing device has access to said at least one database (*col. 1, line 58 to col. 2, line 6, multilingual system; accessed through search engine*);

retrieving said first message in said first language from said database in response to said receipt of said request, converting the first message into a representation (*the operation of figures 1A-B; converter converts the document to a format supported by the client device; or referring to the operation of figure 6, the server retrieves the requested document and determine if the client device supports said document, and convert the document into a format supported by client device*);

transmitting to said companion computing device the bitmap representation of the first message for presentation on a display device of said companion computing device in said first language (*figures 1A-B*), wherein the first message comprises at least multiple characters of said first language (*within the scope of the reference, the requested document includes multiple characters*), wherein the first message is formatted for said display device (*figures 1A-B, converter does this*).

Marmor fails to specifically disclose a message to be converted into said requested language, where said message is provided in a language other than the

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requested language, and such that said companion computing device, without conversion from character codes to graphic elements, is able to present the bitmap representation as a full screen image of the first message on said display device. However, Sekiguchi teaches that a message to be converted into said requested language, where said message is provided in a language other than the requested language (*abstract section; converting email document to image data or bitmap data; interpreted as conversion of data elements into bitmap data*), such that said companion computing device, without conversion from character codes to graphic elements, is able to present the bitmap representation as a full screen image of the first message on said display device (*abstract section; converting email document to image data or bitmap data*).

Since Marmor and Sekiguchi are analogous arts because they are from the same field of endeavors, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to modify Marmor by incorporating the teaching of Sekiguchi in order to enable devices of small processing power to access data of different languages.

7. Regarding claim 21, Marmor discloses a storage medium having computer readable program instructions embodied therein (*client/server computing architecture inherently includes storage memory*), said program instructions enabling a computer to:

transmit from a companion computing device to a host computing device a request of a user for a first message in a first language not initially supported by said companion device, wherein said request was initiated by the user implementing a

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digitizer input system of the companion computing device (*figure 3 or col. 10, line 63 to col. 11, line 67; client device request for a particular document in a particular language, the server retrieves and supplies the requested document to the client device; all computing devices include a digitizer in order to convert real word signal into computer data*), and wherein the request comprises:

an indicator of the first language (*figure 3 or col. 10, line 63 to col. 11, line 67; interpreted as a data request*);

display attributes for formatting the first message for display on the companion device (*col. 14, lines 1-41, font, size, style, color*);

wherein said second message is one of a plurality of messages stored in at least one database in a plurality of languages that includes said first language, wherein said host computing device has access to said at least one database (*col. 1, line 58 to col. 2, line 6, multilingual system; accessed through search engine*).

receive from the host computing device the representation of the requested message for presentation on a display device of said companion computing device in said first language (*figures 1A-B*), wherein the first message comprises at least multiple characters of said first language (*within the scope of the reference, the requested document includes multiple characters*), wherein the first message is formatted for said display device (*figures 1A-B, converter does this*).

Marmor fails to specifically disclose a message to be converted into said requested language, where said message is provided in a language other than the requested language, and display the bitmap representation as a full screen image on

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the display device without conversion from character codes to graphic elements.

However, Sekiguchi teaches that a message to be converted into said requested language, where said message is provided in a language other than the requested language (*abstract section; converting email document to image data or bitmap data; interpreted as conversion of data elements into bitmap data*), and display the bitmap representation as a full screen image on the display device without conversion from character codes to graphic elements (*abstract section; converting email document to image data or bitmap data*).

Since Marmor and Sekiguchi are analogous arts because they are from the same field of endeavors, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to modify Marmor by incorporating the teaching of Sekiguchi in order to enable devices of small processing power to access data of different languages.

8. Regarding claims 2, 12-13, and 22, Marmor further discloses wherein said complete message further comprises a character set of graphic icons (*figure 2, HTML document includes character set including characters of icons*), wherein individual ones of a plurality of said databases are each associated with a specific language (*figure 4, different languages*).

9. Regarding claims 8, 18, and 23, Marmor fails to specifically disclose that the companion computing device stores the image representation transmitted from said host computing device for later use. However, Sekiguchi teaches that the companion

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computing device stores the image representation transmitted from said host computing device for later use (*col. 15, lines 19-24, can be a PC for storing the image data*).

Since Marmor and Sekiguchi are analogous arts because they are from the same field of endeavors, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to modify Marmor by incorporating the teaching of Sekiguchi in order to enable user to view the requested document in a later time.

10. Regarding claims 10 and 20, Marmor further discloses that the communication link is a wired or wireless (*within the scope of the reference*).

11. Regarding claim 28, Marmor further discloses the computing system of claim 1, wherein individual ones of a plurality of said databases are each associated with a different one of said languages (*col. 1, lines 58 to col. 2, line 6; multilingual databases*).

12. Claims 9 and 19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Marmor (US 66601108) in view of Sekiguchi (US 6185604), and further in view of Official Notice.

13. Regarding claims 9 and 19, Marmor fails to specifically disclose the digitizer input system comprises an electronic pen or stylus for handwritten information. However, examiner takes the official notice that it is extremely well known that a typical PDA comprises an electronic pen/stylus for the input of handwritten information. Therefore, it

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would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify Marmor to use a PDA with a styluses/electronic pens in order to provide users with convenient access to data.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to HUYEN X. VO whose telephone number is (571)272-7631. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F, 9-5:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Patrick Edouard can be reached on 571-272-7603. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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